### SOUNDS LIKE JIM CREIGHTON.

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WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE,

513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18. Special Agent Linton, of the treasury department, who was sent to Omaha to examine the different sites offered for the proposed new government building, prepared his report on Saturday, but did not hand it to Assistant Secretary Maynard until to-day. Mr. Linton says in his report that the sites offered on the south of Farnam street being out of the line of the progress of business are not entitled to serious consideration. The sites between Farnam and Douglas streets and west of Eighteenth street, while presenting the most prominent locations offered, in point of elevation, are objectionable on account of that fact, as the increase of grade between Sixteenth and Eighteenth streets, two squares, is thirty-four feet and thirty-one feet when Twentieth street is reached. He therefore recommends the site known as "block 86," on the corner of Sixteenth and Dodge streets, which is offered at the maximum amount appropriated, namely \$400,000. This block is known as the Folsom block, and owing to the serious opposition which has been raised to its selection on the part of the leading business men of Omana, it is probable that something will be heard to drsp before the final selection is made. Secretary Windom has not yet received the report. Secretary Maynard said to The Bee correspondent, when he called upon him late this afternoon, that the report would go to Secretary Windom immediately, as he was the person to recommends the site known as "block 86." dom immediately, as he was the person to decide the points in controversy. Secretary Windom is up to his ears in work. He has Windom is up to his ears in work. He has several similar cases before him, notably that of the site in Buffalo, which was rejected by Secretary Fairchild after a year's delay, on the last day of his official term. Owing to this fact it is improbable that anything will be done toward the final selection of a site for Omaha for several days.

EXPECTS TO BE LAND COMMISSIONER.

The following paragraph from the Evening

The following paragraph from the Evening Star refers to ex-Governor Stone, of Iowa: "A tall, elderly man, clad in black, has be-come a familiar figure about the interior department during the past week. He spends a good deal of time in the office of Land Commissionor Stockslager. He is a pleasant, chatty old man and talks freely with every chatty old man and talks freely with every one he meets. In this way everybody has learned that he is going to be appointed commissioner of the general land office. The entire congressional delegation of his state, of which, by the way, he was some years ago governor, he says are behind him and it is only a question of a few days before his name will be sent to the senate. In the meanwhile he is getting acquainted as In the meanwhile he is getting acquainted as rapidly as possible with the work of the land office and the duties of the various chiefs of office and the duties of the various chiefs of divisions. He stops the latter when he meets them in the corridors and asks them about their work, and he questions clerks and messengers, and when his appointment comes he will probably be quite familiar with the business of the office. The other day his wife came down to the department and carefully inspected the ventilation of the room occupied by the commissioner. The old man is now known to all the employes of the office, and when the other day he fell the office, and when the other day he fell asleep in the room of the assistant land com-missioner, while looking over some of the of ficial orders, the clerks as they passed gazed curiously in through the open door at the features of their future chief."

WANAMAKER'S WAY Representative Funstone, of Kansas, went to the postofice department to-day and asked the appointment of a gentleman he named to 'Where are the papers?" asked the postmaster general.

"There are none to be filed," replied the representative. "I have them at my room, and recommend this man to be appointed."
"Are there any other candidates?" asked Mr. Wanamaker.

"Several."
"Well, send me down all the papers and I will look them over before I make the ap

"That has not been customary," was the reply. "The department has always per-mitted the congressman to make the recom-mendation and has held him responsible. He knows more about the district and the signers to the petitions than the postmaster gen-

"It is our rule," said Mr. Wanamaker, sternly, "to call for all the papers and examine them before making an appointment." It is very likely that we will select your Mr. Funstone declined to submit the papers

holding that it was the prerogative of the congressman to select the man he wanted among the several candidates for offices within his district, and that if the postmaster general overruled his recommendation he would fight him in the senate, in the house of representatives and on the street. Mr. Wanamaker, in reply, said that the postmaster general proposed to snare the re-sponsibility, and did not intend to act merely as a clerk to fill out commissions as the congressmen called for them. Mr. Funstone appealed to the president, but the latter sustained the postmaster general, and said the rule would be strictly enforced. There is a good deal of excitement among congressmen

NOMINATED FOR THE NETHERLANDS. The nomination of Mr. Samuel R. Thayer, of Minnesota, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to the Netherlands, was as much of a surprise to Secretary Halford when it was announced this afternoon as to any one else.

Mr. Halford said that he met Mr. Thayer in an unusual place. It was during his tour over the Alps of Switzerland something more than a year ago, and the two met while ascending Mount Blanc. He had seen him since, he said, but had no idea that he was an applicant for an office, and was somewhat surprised when he read his name in the list nominations sent to the senate to-day. Mr. Thayer is said to be a gentleman of means, who will do credit to the United States in a social way at the court of the king of the Netherlands. There are no diplomatic nego-tiations of great importance pending between the two countries, only some slight misun-derstanding growing out of the exaction of tennage tax previous to the proclamation issued by President Cleveland a year ago. Mr. Thayer is spoken of very highly by people

THOMAS' APPOINTMENT.

William W. Thomas, jr., who was to-day appointed from Maine as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Sweden and Norway, was at one time consul general at Stockholm. During that time he succeeded in bringing over a large Swedish colony, which were lo-cated in Holton, Me. Later he was ap-pointed to the position to which he has been reappointed to-day, and while there acquired a very thorough knowledge of the Scanding. a very thorough knowledge of the Scandina-vians, and married a Swedish lady. During the late campaign he had engagements to speak in all the large Scandinavian settlements of the northwest, notably in Minnesota and Dakota. It is said that there are 1,110,000 Swedes and Norwegians in the United States, and that they were almost

unanimous in expressing the wish that Mr. Thomas might be appointed.

Mr. William E. Hashell, of the Minneapolis "ribune, was an applicant for this posi-tion, and telegraphed last week to some of the Minnesota delegation asking their in-dorsement, but he was too late. The delega-tion had already indersed Mr. Thomas. His appointment will prove extremely satisfac-tory to all the American citizens of Scandi-

navian birth.

shedt to be marshal of the United States for the eastern district of Louisiana, is the first victors for the new republican regime in that state. There was a contest over the office between ex-Senator William Pitt Keloffice between ex-Senator William Pitt Kel-logg on the one hand and Congressman-elect Coleman on the other. Coleman claimed the right to name appointees for the the state of Louisiana, on the ground that he was the only republican representative for the state, Mr. Keilogg admitted that so far as the district in which Mr. Coleman lived was concerned, he ought to have jurisdiction, but he claimed that as he (Keilogg) had been was concerned, he ought to have jurisdiction, but he claimed that as he (Kellogg) had been elected senator on the republican ticket, he ought to have something to say in the distribution of the patronage of the state at large. Mr. Coleman recommended Kurshedt for the marshalship, while Coleman backed another man. The success of Coleman indicates that the president proposes to listen to the advice of the congressman rather than to the ex-senator.

to the ex-senator. AVERSE TO PROMISING. Avenue to promising.

President Harrison is not prone to make promises. Many times since he has become the occupant of the white house office seekers have urged him to promise an appointment, but he has steadily refused to do so. The other day he made up his mind to appoint a man who did not want to file his application papers unless he was promised the point a man who did not want to file his ap-plication papers unless he was promised the appointment. After pressing his claim very persistently and showing good reasons why he did not want to place his papers on file unless there was a specific prom-ise of the place, the applicant was about to withdraw from the presence of the president, saying as he did so that he could not afford to make as he did so that he could not afford to make a record of his aspirations while there was the slightest probability of his appointment not being made. "You may put your papers on file" said the president, "and I assure you that I will give them very early action. Just what I will do you cannot learn at this time I have made up my mind that I shall make no promises. I do not propose to have people going around on the street saying that I have lied about appointments or anything else. During the administration of Hayes, Garfield, Arthur and Cleveiand one could meet men almost anywhere about Washington declaring that the president had lied to them. lied to them, that he promised them places and had not kept his pledge. I am determined this thing shall never be said of me."

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NEBRASKA'S POSTMASTERS.

Representative Dorsey has secured the appoint of the following postmasters in the Third Nebraska district: W. E. Kerr, Silver Creek; E. C. Burns, Scribner; A. B. Cherry, Armada; R. B. Cregg, Corbin; Norman Jackson, Wallace; I. H. Davenport, Newport; Lester B. Hill, Mason City; I. H. Niles, Rayenna; Christ S. Rohrer. Fort Calbonn: Ravenna; Christ S. Rohrer, Fort Calhoun; Peter W. Boggs, Stuart; Thomas L. Dixon, Clarks; Ezra J. Gollogly, Chapman; William S. Hayes, New Helena; Joseph Hauseman, Plain Valley; Mrs. A. McIntyre, Reno; Jackson B. Empfield, Ryno; John P. Yost, North Rend North Bend.

Ex-Senator and Mrs. Van Wyck, of Ne-braska, have returned to the city and are once more at their old home, 1800 Massachusetts avenue. The contemplate making ex-tensive additions to the house. PERRY S. HEATH.

#### SENATE PROCEEDINGS. The Third Week Opens With Morton

in the Chair. WASHINGTON, March 18 .- In the senate the third week of the called executive session opened this morning with the vice-president in the chair.

Resolutions were offered and referred to the committee on contingent expenses authorizing the committee on woman suffrage and on additional accommodations for the library to sit during the recess. The resolu tion heretofore offered by Mr. Gibson for the appointment of a select committee on rela-tions with Mexico and Central America was

taken up.
After considerable debate the resolution and the senate proceeded to executive busi-ness. When the doors were reopened the senate proceeded to the consideration of the resolu-tion heretofore offered by Mr. Call for the appointment of a select committee on the re appointment of a select community and lations of the United States with Cuba and other West India islands. The discussion other West India islands. The discussion turned on the question of the competency of the senate, when sitting in called executive session, to enter upon the performance of egislative functions

Gray made a short argument against it. Sherman said that precedents on that all turned, not on the power of the senate to do so, but whether it was desired and wise to enter upon legislative questions at an ex-traordinary session. While he had no objec-tion to the reference of the pending resolution, he did not think the senate should adopt any resolution making a charge npon treasury or on the contingent fund, should, after it had discharged the duties for

which it was called, adjourn.
Without disposing of the question, the pending motion being to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations, the senate again proceeded to consideration of executive business and at 2:50 adjourned.

### UTTERLY DEMORALIZED.

Gloomy Reports Concerning the Eoreign Copper Syndicates. Paris, March 18 .- Comptoir d' Escompte shares are now quoted at 165 francs, Societe shares at 75 francs, and Rio Tinto shares at 303 francs, 75 centimes,

At the close Comptoir d'Escompte shares were quoted at 160 francs, Societe des Metaux 56 francs, 25 centimes, and Rio Tinto 306 francs, 25 centimes. The bourse is generally firm, especially for Rentes and foreign

NEW YORK, March 18 .- The Evening Tele gram says: Cables from Paris and Londor point to the utter demoralization of the for eign copper syndicates. One report says that the Comptoir d' Escompte has liquidated, and that no less a personage than Mechand, president of the Bank of France, has precipitated the crisis. There is no longer any doubt that the Societe des Metaux has compared to the wall and the Comptoir d' longer any doubt that the Societe des Metaux has gone to the wall, and the Comptoir d' Escompte, per consequence, falls into the hands of the receiver. The run has begun on the Bank of Paris. The great house of Tavandee & Co., at Mons, has suspended payments. Their liabilities are away up in the millions. Morrison Keekervick & Co., to whom 6,000 tons of copper are delivered, have confessed their bankruptey.

have confessed their bankruptcy The stock exchange opened firm to-day, but prices became irregular in the afternoon, owing to various rumors regarding the So-ciete des Metaux and Comptoir d'Escompte. The rumors of a run on the Bank of France re quickly denied, and all markets sho better tendency at the close.

The Chin-Kiang Riots. Washington, March 18 .- The secretary of state has received from Kennedy, United States consul general at Shanghai, a report on the recent riot at Chin-Kinng, China. It appears that on February 5 the consul general received from Consul Jones, at Chin-Kiang, telegraphic news of a riot and threatened at ack on the consulate, and a request for protection. As there was no American man-ofwar immediately available, the British con-sul general was communicated with and an English man-of-war was started from Shanghai on February 16 for Chin-Kiang. On that day the British consulate and four other houses were burned and the office of the American consul general gutted and looted by a mob of about six hundred. Jones and his family escaped injury. These facts were communicated to every minister at Peking. The consul general at Shanghai also reported that there was a late rumor that more buildings had been destroyed, among them the residences of some Ameri-

Oppose Wolfley's Nomination. WASHINGTON, March 8 .- Considerable opposition is manifested to the confirmation of the nomination of Lewis Wolfley to be governor of Armona, and it is said that charges tion had already indersed Mr. Thomas. His appointment will prove extremely satisfactory to all the American citizens of Scandinavian birth.

\*\*EURSHEDT'S NOMINATION.\*\*

The nomination of Mr. Edward J. Kur
will be made against him for presentation to the committee on territories. The nature of these charges, if they exist, cannot be learned, but it is expected that at the next meeting of the committee a favorable report will be ordered on his normalities.

### KICKED IT OUT OF HIS HAND.

A Brave Ranchman Who Was Not Cowed By a Revolver.

BANK ROBBERY AT LINWOOD.

Two Burglars Secure \$700 But are Soon After Captured-Lecherous Scoundrels-Died From Exposure.

Not Afraid of a Revolver. Benkelman, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Word has been received here that C. D. Thompson, a ranchman living forty miles northwest of here, had an encounter with a Mr. Baker, who, it is alleged, insulted Thompson's neice. Thompson reproached him for it, whereupon Baker drew a six-shooter with the evident intention of using it. Thompson kicked the weapon from Baker's hand and seizing it proceeded to beat the brute about the head and face, striking him each time with the hammer. His head and face are literally cut to pieces. His recovery is doubtful. Public sympathy is in favor of Thompson.

Affairs at Columbus. COLUMBUS, Neb., March 18 .- | Special to THE BEE. |-The farmers of this county are busy sowing small grain. The last fall of snow put the ground in first-class condition. Nineteen cars of grain were shipped from the new town of Monroe last week.

The spring boom has opened up in Columbus much earlier this season than last. A ommittee appointed by the board of trade is now at Kearney investigating the water power. Should a favorable report be made by the committee the business men are willing to put up the necessary funds to build a like canal at this place.

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There has been quite a stir in real estate the past week. More new buildings will be put up this spring than in any former year. Sheldon & McDill are getting material on the ground for the erection of three brick stores on Thirteenth street. 25x90 feet, three stores on Thirteenth street, 25x90 feet, three stories, with plate glass fronts. The Knights of Pythias will erect a hail, the lower room to be used as a postofilee and the upper for the use of the knights. A location is selected for the site of a new opera house. Hickok, Halm & Co. will erect a two-story brick store on the site of their present building to accommodate increasing trade.

M. H. White, who has just returned from an extensive tour of the Pacific slope, is more than ever satisfied with Nebraska and Columbus. Mr. White is a large land owner

Columbus. Mr. White is a large land owner in and near the city. He will improve his property in the city with buildings and probably cut up his suburban property into addi-tions. Mr. White was at one time in the cattle business. He will now devote his energies to real estate.

Mr. Pollock of the Thurston hotel reports business good and says he will need more room if business increases.

Corner Stone Laying. BEATRICE, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-A large crowd attended the ceremonies of laying the corner stone of the Episcopal church this afternoon. The procession to the church was made up of a drum corps, the Dewitt and Beatrice Masonic lodges, Dewitt band, Mt. Hermon commandery, the members of the grand lodge, Governor Thayer, J. M. Woolworth, Grand Master France, Bishop Worthington and the officers of Christ church. The corner stone was laid by the Masonic fraternity, and contained a large number of the archives of the church and state, including a copy of THE DAILY BEE. After the ceremonies at the church the procession moved to the opera house, where a number of addresses were delivered. M. A. Brown gave a his-tory of the church since 1869. Governor Thayer spoke of the value of christianity to the state and the nation. Chancellor Woor-worth dwelt on the justification of building handsome churches. Bishop Worthington closed the services with felicitous remarks as to the growth, enterprise and beauty of and commended the Episcopal

church for building so handsome an edifice. Some Peculiar People. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 18 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. 1-This afternoon the district court room was thronged with an expectant crowd awaiting the denouement in the trial of William Bringman, of Louisville, charged with adultery. Bringman, a few weeks ago, eloped with Miss Lucy Johnson, a girl of great personal attractions, who was working in the Bringman family. They were overtaken at Kansas City and brought were overtaken at Kansas City and brought back. The charge was made at the instiga-tion of the girl's relatives, and County At-torney Gering took charge of the case, A large array of witnesses was brought by the prosecution to prove that William Bringman is a married man with a family of three children, and the facts of his Lothario-like exploit were fully set forth. The attorney for the defendant claimed that Bringman's marriage was not proven, no documentary or recorded evidence being produced. Judge Chapman sustained

the claim and instructed the jury accordingly and greatly to the discomfort of the prosecution the case was dismissed. Bringman's wife would not testify, she not being in sym pathy with the prosecution. Miss Luc Johnson, it is said, will shortly be married to William Short, a prosperous young farmer in the neighborhood of Louisville, who has ovingly forgiven his recreant bride-elect.

Fire and Blood. VALENTINE, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Tel gram to THE BEE. |-The school house at Nenzel, in this county, was burned last night. It had just been completed and was a handsome frame structure. Undoubtedly the fire was the work of an incendiary. There is much bad blood in this district b

tween different factions. Only last week Albert Nenzel, the district treasurer, was arrested for the embezzlement of \$1,000 of school money which he had loaned his father, who had expended a large portion for private purposes. He was bound over in \$15,000 to the district court. George Nenzel stream purposes. He was bound over in \$15,000 to the district court. George Nenzel swore out warrants to-day against the Wisser prothers, as being the incendiaries. One of the brothers is an ex-school director. Nenzel built the school bouse, and Wisser testified in court that it in no way filled the contract. The sheriff left to-night for his prisoners, wh many friends do not believe them guilty.

Fined for Assault and Battery. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Colonel Hammond commandant of the soldiers' home, was fined \$10 and costs in police court for assault and battery upon Henry Veenker, an inmate of the home. Veenker was disorderly and abusive. Hammond, without the least violence, had him confined in the guard house. As soon as released he came down town and had him arrested. The court held that while Hammond's action was in compliance with the rules of the home, the laws of the state gave him no authority to inflict cor-poral punishment. Hammond sppealed the case. The board recommended Veenker's expulsion some weeks ago, but at Ham-mond's request he was permitted to remain.

A Murder Trial. FALLS CITY, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE |-For the trial of Frank Clark for the killing of Dr. Hanlon, a jury was secured Saturday night and the trial is being rapidly pushed. The court room is daily crowded with spectators to hear the testimony. The end will not be reached before the middle of the week.

Waterworks. FALLS CITY, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-At a largely attended mass meeting of the citizens of this

place to night it was decided to instruct the city council to make needed improvements and extensions in the system of waterworks. The water supply has generally been works. The water supply has generally been good and the consumption; of water has so rapidly increased that the pump capacity must be increased. The council had exhausted all means in its command for the improvement of the system and asked an expression from the taxpayers as to what should be done, with the result above stated. Several thousand dollars in bonds will be voted.

A Claim Agent Paralyzed. HAY SPRINGS, Neb., March 18 .- [Special to THE BEE. |-For the past three years a pettifogger by the name of R. F. Milford has caused the honest settlers a great deal of annoyance by initiating contests for blood money. His favorite method has been to sell a claim to a stranger for \$50 or \$75, agreeing a claim to a stranger for \$50 or \$75, agreeing to carry it through the contest, and after pocketing the money, he would accept a brice from the original claimant to drop the contest, thus bleeding both parties. Some months ago the citizens of Hay Springs held an indignation meeting and, through a committee, warned the scoundrel to desist in his practice, and for awhile he laid low. Saturday, however, a hard-working farmer named Lamoreux came to town and learned that he Lamoreux came to town and learned that he nad been chosen as a victim, and without waiting for any explanation picked up the long, lank and bony scalper and mopped the floor with him, meantime breaking most of the office furniture. The old granger was the hero of the day, and many a fellow-sufferer gathered around him with congratuations. Lamoreux came to town and learned that he

Holdrege Items.

HOLDREGE, Neb., March 18 .- | Special to THE BEE. |-The district court convened at this place the 14th inst, with a small docket before it. Judge Gaslin presided. It adjourned the evening of the same day.

Mayor J. N. Clarke, the present cashier of the First National bank at this place, resigns his office shortly with a view of going to Hastings to accept a position in a bank at

that place.
The Holdrege correspondent for the The Holdrege correspondent for the Omaha Republican made a mistake when he stated that N. J. Carlson passed a counterfeit \$50 bill at the Bank of Loomis. It was a counterfeit \$50 bill he exchanged for greenbacks of the same amount. Carlson was arrested here the 16th inst. and brought before Justice Beghtol on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. It was proved he had tried at other places to get it changed. He was placed under \$300 ball.

Two Burglars Captured. Linwoop, Neb., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-At 3 o'clock this afternoon the Merchants and Farmers bank was entered by two burglars. The cashier had just stepped across the street to the postoffice, his wife being left in charge of the bank. At the time they entered she had stepped into an adjoining room. One stood at the bank door while the other sprang over the high railing and gathered up from the till gold, silver and currency amounting to

Both were captured and all the money re-covered excepting \$100. On preliminary examination the prisoners gave the names John Summers and Charles Henry. Both are puny and of medium stature. Not being able to give bonds they were committed to

Two Lecherous Scoundrels. CHADRON, Neb., March 18 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Just north of Chadron about two weeks ago, two men applied for work at a farmer's by the name of John Martin. Mr. Martin informed them that he was about to start east, and that they could stay and take care of his stock in his ab-sence. They arranged to stay, and Mr. Mar-tin went east leaving his wife and little girl Mrs. Martin came to Chadron and stayed all night. The two men in her absence ravished the little girl. Men are in pursuit of the flends, and if they are caught they will undoubtedly stretch hemp. They prove to be two rounders who have been hanging around the town this spring.

Chautauqua Assembly at Crete. CRETE, Neb., March 18 .- [Special to THE BEE. | -The eighth annual session of the Ne. braska assembly will be held at Crete, from

June 27 to July 9, 1889. The Nebraska assembly has its constitut ency throughout the state, and with many in western Iowa. Chautauguans would not think the year complete without the mutual greetings, round tables, vesper services, and inspiration they get at Crete. But for Chautauqua and what it represents, the assembly would never have been founded. A hearty invitation is extended to all Chautauquans to spend the entire time of the session in the groves on the banks of the Big Blue river at Crete.

More Water. VAT" fine, Neb., March 18 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-Advices received from Lincoln from Senstor Cornell and the auditor state that the history of the Valentine water bonds is correct, in accordance with the statutes, and the bonds will be registered and placed on the market. amount is \$8,400, which will give Valentine a splendid supply of fresh water from the Minnechaduza creek. The contract has been let to the United States Wind, Engine and Pump company, of Omaha, to be completed

Died From Exposure

AUBURN, Neb., March 18.- | Special to THE Ber. |-John Wixton, a middle aged man who has been hanging around the saloons here all winter, was found dead in the streets of South Auburn early this morning. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of death from exposure, as there were no evidences of violence on his person and he had been out in the storm all night. He has no relatives in this part of the country, and is supposed to be single.

A Business Change. Chaig, Neb., March 18.-[Special to The BEE. |-The firm of Moneyhan & Frary, dealers in general merchandise at this place, have dissolved partnership, E. E. Frary retiring and J. R. Moneyhan continuing the business. To-day E. E. Frary bought the general mer-chandise stock of W. Bell, and will make

large additions to the stock, Bell retiring. Peru Notes. PERU, Neb., March 18 .- | Special to THE BEE. ]-The senior class of the state normal school, consisting of nine members, delivered their theses Saturday evening to a large and attentive audience.
Captain Webber, of the university cadets, is here giving the normal cadets a few points on military drill.

Severson's Trial. DAKOTA CITY, Neb. March 18. - [Special Telegram to THE BRE.] - It is now understood

that J. M. Severson's trial for the murder of Marshal League at Jackson on the 22d of last December, will come up next week. This will make several important cases for this term, among which are a \$20,000 libel suit, a \$20,000 breach of promise suit, two burglaries and one highway robbery. Dawes County. CHADRON, Neb., March 18 .- | Special Tele

gram to THE BEE |- The small grain is about all sown in Dawes county. The acreage is much greater than last year. It is esti-mated that four times as much grain has been sown this year as last. The weather has been fine for three weeks, and grass is starting. starting.

Honest Jack Hardy Dead. New Obleans, La., March 18.—John G. Hardy, familiarly known as "Honest Jack Hardy," one of the best known sporting men in the country, died suddenly to-day of paralysis of the brain.

## THE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

It Resumes Its Hearing in the Matter of Export Rates.

THE BURDEN OF THE EVIDENCE.

Judge Cooley Warns the Railroads Not to Arrogate to Themselves the Power of Redressing Wrongs.

The Law Must Be Obeyed.

WASHINGTON, March 18 .- The inter-state commerce commission to-day resumed its hearing in the matter of export rates and the methods adopted by the trunk lines in computing them. The gist of evidence was that with few exceptions the inland published rates had not for some months been maintained. Some of the roads had made an effort to maintain them, and in consequence had practically lost their export business. General Manager Hayes, of the Wabash Western, was called. He said his road had Western, was called. He said his road had not for some time maintained a uniform inland rate, and that their inland export rates were often less than their domestic scaboard rate. It seemed to be the universal opinion of the foreign managers present that a uniform through export tariff could not be maintained, as in that case the railroads would be at the mercy of the steamship companies. But the opinion was as general that panies. But the opinion was as general that a full inland rate could be maintained, as contemplated by law, and that a faithful ob-servance of the law would result in good to all concerned.

Chairman Cooley said to the managers, in

Chairman Cooley said to the managers, in part: It is very manifest that things have been going on here that should stop at once, We must compliment Mr. Hayes for coming forward and stating frankly just what the facts were as regards his own road. We should have been better satisfied if a like course had been taken by all the others. They ought all to do what no doubt Mr. Hayes will do namely, endeavor to Hayes will do, namely, endeavor to comply with the law. Here is the law, and it is not with you to say to us that there are practical

obstacles in the way of complying with it, that you would lose business by so doing, and all that sort of thing. We are not concerned in that. We do not wish to do anything to make you lose business. At the same time we cannot accept it as a valid excuse that if you obey the law you will thereby lose business. The time ought to be considered as gone by when a manager can come to us and say, 'I named this rate, and I did it regardless of law because my competitor had done the same thing.' There is no excuse for that practice. If wrong is done by one road to the injury of another, the proper remedy or redress is not to duplicate the remedy or redress is not to duplicate the wrong, but to go before the committee in authority, whether it be the commission or a voluntary association, with a complaint of the wrong. One crime in railroad circles is no more to be excused by another than one that it to be instiffed by another?

theft is to be justified by another."

Judge Cooley announced that for certain southern roads that had asked for a hearing a continuance of the investigation for two weeks had been granted. The commission did not wish to express an opinion that would affect the interests of those roads until they had been fully heard, but in the meanthey had been fully heard, but in the mean-time the practices in the north which have all appeared unjustifiable should not be con-tinued. "I trust," he added, "that after saying so much we shall not, two weeks hence, have complaints brought to us that those practices have been going on. In the meantime the parties must not take redress of wrongs into their own hands when the legality of what they complain of is, to the legality of what they complain of is, to say the least, very doubtful. They ought also to remember that while we continue this case for two weeks the law is not sus pended. That remains in force as well as its penalties."

WRECKED BY THE WAVES.

Coney Island and Other Summer Resorts Suffer by the Storm.

New York, March 18,-[Special Telegram to The Bee.]-Though the city and bay were not roughly visited yesterday by the winds and rain which had been expected, reports from the coast were full of unpleasant incidents. The southern Long Island shore, from Far Rockaway to Coney Island, was severely smitten by the heavy sea and high tides, and damage, in many cases irreparable, was done to the summer retreat of all the-year-round New Yorkers. The storm was followed a hard blow Sunday along the Jersey coast from Key East to Seabright. From Asbury Park to Scabright an alarming condition of things exists. Between Monmouth Beach and Lowmoor the damage reached its highest point, de-stroying many cottages at the Highlands of Neversink. The sea was over the track of the New Jersey Southern railway and of the Central railroad of New Jersey, running into the Shrewsbury river. The railroad track was torn and twisted by the angry waves into all sorts of shapes. The heavy stones placed two years ago in the stone jet ties, designed as a protection, were tossed about by the waves like corks and a number of them were piled upon the tracks and plat-form of the station at Highland Beach. The railroad track is torn up for a distance of more than a mile, while it is covered with sand to the depth of several feet for some distance. The lower end of Coney Island was badly demoralized. The asphalt roadway looked as though several volcanoes had had repeated eruptions beneath it and had repeated eruptions beneath it and each had done excellent work. This asphalt averages six inches in thickness, but sections of it thirty feet square, piled up at an interesting variety of angles, were not uncommon. In a general way, it may be said that Saturday night's storm destroyed, for a distance of fifty feet inland, 600 feet of property in the Brighton Beach neighborhood, most of which was at the cost of the Brighton Beach hotel people. Last spring they moved the hotel back from the ocean some 500 feet. The hotel is now surrounded by ponds of salt water varying from six inches to two feet in depth. The Ocean house, which was moved last spring 280 feet from the ocean, is also surrounde by water.

An Oyster Pirate's Trial.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 18 .- The trial of Captain Beachamp, of the the oyster boat Bechamp, for cruelty to sailors under his command, which began in the United States district court to-day, brought out some startling statements. John Kavalek, a sailor, stated that the captain had offered to increase his pay if he would consent to throw two worthless hands overboard. This testi-mony produced a decided effect on those present. Kavalek told how the captain beat John Steiner with a stick of wood without provocation and forced him to work when his foot was so sore that he could not put it to the ground. Kavalek said that the fare consisted mostly of half-spoiled beans, with sometimes cabbage and meal. sometimes cabbage and meal,

Denver's Prize Idiot.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE ]-A sensational marriage took place here this evening, the contracting parties having come here from Denver to evade the Colorado statutes. The ver to evade the Colorado statutes. The groom is Nathanial S. Ames, a white man, and the bride Lizzie C. Cross, a colored woman. Ames has lived in Denver several years. He is a property holder, living at Fremont street and Colfax avenue. His wife has been employed as a chambermaid at a Denver notel for the past three months, during which time the courtship has been going on.

PROBLE, Ill., March 18 .- Fire this morning estroyed the large four-story brick building on Adams street, occupied by Comstock & Avery as a furniture store. Loss \$100,000. Insurance unknown.

#### VISITED THE POPE.

American Pilgrams Courteously and Cordially Received at the Vatican. [Copyright 1889 by James Gordon Bennett.] ROME, March 18.—[New York Herald Cable-Special to THE BEE.]-At noon to-day the holy father received the American pilgrims. They were divided into three sections. The priests were received in the throne

room, the layman in another and the ladies in a third room. Never was a reception more enthusiastic or more cordial. As the holy father approached the pilgrims he addressed them as they knelt, in a most friendly and loving manner. No father could be more loving or at fectionate to his children. He spoke in Ital-

ian as follows: "Brave Americans. You are first to visit the holy land, the place in which out Lord Jesus Christ suffered and died. Other nations such as France, Spain, Italy, Germany and others have from time to time formed pilgrimages to the boly places, but Americans have been rather slow in organizing bands of pilgrims. I trust that after this first pilgrimage others will follow, but even this is not enough. It is my desire that missions be established there. The Franciscans have for some time taken charge of the holy places and they are doing all they can to promote devotion towards them. Again 1 say that I am very glad that you have given the first impetus to these pigrimages, and I hope that you will have a prosperous journey

and a safe return." Coming to the banner of the pilgrimage and looking at the eagle and American flag painted upon it he said: "That is the standard of a brave and free people, and I hope God will bless them and enable them to maintain their freedom."

Various religious articles held by the pil grims were blessed, and all the requests for indulgence most generously granted. Each pilgrim fervently and reverently kissed the ring and hands of the sovereign pontiff. At the end he bestowed upon all the apostolic blessing, the priests in a body giving responses, He gave each one the faculty of imparting apostolic benediction to his congregation. At their exit from the presence of the holy father each pilgrim was presented with a silver medal of the holy father enclosed in a handsome locket. All came from the vatican palace very enthusiastic. One who knows says there never was any reception more loving or more friendly than that given to the American pilgrims.

After the audience the pilgrims adjourned n a body to a neighboring photograph gallery where the whole group, with the pilgrims' body in the background and the stars and stripes floating proudly over them, was

CONTRARY TO SCRIPTURE. A Pennsylvania Minister's Views on Prohibition. CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., March 18 .- The Daily Spirit publishes this evening a letter from Rev. Cyrus Cort, pastor of the Reformed church of Greencastle, and one of the ablest

ministers in the southern portion of the state, in which he clearly defines his position on the prohibition amendment question. He on the prohibition amendment question. He writes:

"As long as I hold my present orthodox views respecting the inspiration and integrity of God's word. I must regard prohibition as unscriptural and wrong in principle. I could not consistently indorse prohibition without nullifying or perverting many parts and passages of the sacred scriptures, and at the same time running the genius and aim of a free constitutional government. As a practical measure of tem-perance reform prohibition has been largely a failure, and tends to create a community of

spies, the most abominable state of society that we can conceive." Mary Anderson Overworked. BALTIMORE, Md., March 18.-Dr. VanBibber, who attended Mary Anderson during her stay in Baltimore last week, emphatically denies the report that her mind is affected, "Miss Anderson," he added, "is in an abnormally nervous condition overwork and insomnia, and is suffering from nervous trouble that has given her great pain. She is not suffering from any

nental ail ment whatever.' PHILADELPHIA, March 18.—Mary Andersen s reported to-night to be steadily improving. Her brother says that the reports as to her mental condition are altogether wrong, and at no time has his sister's mind been affected by her illness. Now that worry about pro-fessional arrangements has been removed by the cancellation of all dates she is much

Senator Sherman Sued. PITTSBURG, Pa., March 18 .- A special from Mansfield says: Senator Sherman, this afternoon, was made defendant when the county treasurer began two actions against him for unpaid railroad stock cases. The first case is for \$1,748, due on personal stock since 1885, on stock held by him as trustee. The property is Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad stock, which, by a recent supreme court decision, is made taxable the same as any other stock. The senator agreed to pay should the test case be decided against him, and failed to do so.

Hunting a Liar.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 18 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The grand jury of Albany county is investigating the fake sensational stories recently sent out to the press' of the country from Cheyenne. M. J. Nichols, manager of the Western Union at Cheyenne, has been summoned to produce a telegram which used Philip Brophy's name in a connection which renders the sender liable to a charge of criminal libel. thought that when the grand jury finishes its work the fakes will cease.

A Fatal Boiler Explosion MILWAUREE, March 18 .- A special from Pound, Wis., says that a boiler in Whitney & Suttle's saw mill exploded at 11 o'clock to day, completely wrecking the structure and killing Otis Clement, of Marietta, and Au-gust Regel, of Abrams. Frank Greenman,

fireman; Julius Gokey, Henry Dorey, Frank Forcea and Phillip Goodchild were badly in-jured. It is thought that some of the injured The Visible Supply CHICAGO, March 18 .- The visible supply for the week ending March 9, as compiled by the secretary of the Chicago board of trade,

is as follows: Corn 16,647,000
Oats 7,511,000
Rye 1,582,000 Barley .....

After an Ex-Postmaster. Chicago, March 18 .- The postoffice department at Washington is after Richard J. Hanna, ex-postmaster of Kankakee, Ill., for an alleged deficiency in his accounts of

\$3,305. The United States district attorney filed information of the debt in the circuit

court this afternoon and began suit against Hanns and his bondsmen. Slaughter is Named. WASHINGTON, March 18 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Brad D. Slaughter has been nominated by the president to be United States marshal for Neb raska.

The Weather Indications. Nebraska and Dakota: Fair, warmer easterly winds. lowa: Fair, preceded by rain.

# THE LOTTERY OF POLITICS.

Another Prize Drawing Takes Place at the National Capital.

HOLDERS OF WINNING TICKETS.

Brief Biographical Sketches of the Men Chosen to Administer the Affairs of the Government,

Appointments.

WASHINGTON, March 18 .- J. W. Mason, of West Virginia, has been selected for commissioner of internal revenue, and his nomination will be sent to the senate in a few

days.

Secretary Windom has appointed T. E. Byrens, of St. Pau' \* jo be chief of the appointment division of the treasury department, vice P. E. Smith resigned. Byrens is president of the republican league of Minnesota and a personal friend of Windom's.

The postmaster general to-day appointed J. Lowry Bell, formerly traffic manager of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, superintendent of the railway mail service, vice

Intendent of the railway mail service, vice Bancroft, resigned, J. N. Tyner, has been selected for assistant attorney general for the postoffice de-partment.

Mitchell, who is nominated for commis-

Mitchell, who is nominated for commissioner of patents, is a patent attorney living in New Britain, Conn. He is about forty-five years of age and well known through New England.

Thomas, of Maine, who is named Swedish mission, gets his old out again, he having been minister of a. Neb. States to Sweden and Norway whand became president. While Th.Co., minister a greater number of Swedish tunificated to this country than during any grated to this country than during any similar period, and this large emigration is said to be directly due to the efforts of Thomas. Thomas has always been a repub-lican, and in the political carvass resulting in Harrison's election he rendered valuable

service to the party as a Swedish stump speaker. Samuel R. Thayer, nominated for minister Samuel R. Thayer, nominated for minister to the Netherlands, is a lawyer of Minneapolis. He is forty-five years of age, a native of New York, and graduated from Columbia college. He went to Minneapolis and entered upon the practice of his profession, where he attained a position in the front rank. He is highly esteemed by the people of Minnesota and is said to be well qualified for the duties of the position.

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J. W. Mason, nominated for commissioner of internal revenue, is a resident of Grafton, W. Va. He served in the union army during the war, and has since devoted himself to the practice of law. He has been an active republican for many years.

James N. Tyner, who was to-day appointed assistant attorney general for the postoffice department, was born in 1826, and has been in public life for more than thirty years. He was a member of congress from 1869 to 1875, President Grant appointed him second assistant postmaster general, and upon the sistant postmaster general, and upon the resignation of Marshall Jewett, he became postmaster general, serving as such until the end of Grant's administration. In April, 1877, he was appointed first assistant post-muster general and held the position until

Inster general and head the position until 1881, when he resigned.

Brad D. Slaughter, nominated for United States marshal for Nebraska has been for more than fourteen years; past clerk to the Nebraska legislature. He is an active worker in support of the republican party and has been sometime past secretary of the state republican league of Nebraska. Smith A. Whilfield, nominee for second assistant postmaster general, is a well known

Ohio republican, about forty-five years of Abraham D. Hazen, nominated to be third assistant postmaster general, held that office for some years prior to the spring of 1887, when he was superceded by Harris, who was a democrat. Hazen is a Pennsylvanian, who, after graduating from college, e the postoffice department as clerk. through the various grades to the place of chief of the division of stamps and supplies. In 1887 he was appointed third assistant postmaster general, and in this position he served with efficiency for ten years. When Cleveland came into office Hazen, although a republican, was retained for two years because of his knowledge of the business that passed through his hands. third assistant postmaster general has charge

postal service, and has the letting of con-tracts involving an expenditure of large amounts of money. Senate Confirmations.

of all matters relating to the finances of the

WASHINGTON, March 18 .- The senate has confirmed the following nominations: John A. Kasson, William Walter Phelps and George H. Bates, commissioners to the Samoan conference at Berlin; Cyrus Bussey, assistant secretary of the interior. Smith A. Whitefield, of Ohio, to be second assistant postmaster general; Abraham D. Hazen, of Pennsylvania, to be third assistant postmaster general; William W. Thomas, ir. of Maine, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Sweden and Norway; Samuel R. Thayer, of Minnesota, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to the Netherlands; Charles E. Mitchell, of Connecticut, to be commis-sioner of patents; Nathan O. Murphy, of Arizona, to be secretary of Arizona.

The Samoan Commissioners. Washington, March 18,-It is believed at the department of state that the commissioners will not be able to start for Berlin before the middle of April, as the matter with which they have to deal is rather intricate, and a preparation for its consideration involves an exhaustive study of a large amount of diplomatic correspondence, as well

is of the long protocols of the former con-THE CONFEDERATE HOME.

An Expression of Sympathy From Ex-President Hayes. NEW YORK, March 18.-Letters of sympathy with the projected national confederate soldiers' home at Austin, Tex., continue to pour in to Secretary Downing. Among the etters just received is one from ex-President Hayes, from Fremont, O. It is given in full pelow. There are also letters from Major General George Crook, of the Division of the Missouri, and from General Merritt, of the Department of the Missouri. General Crook speaks of the movement as a "charity which sectionalism can well afford to overlook, and

the north can in this way show kindness and sympathy to a fallen foe." Ex-President Hayes writes as follows: FREMONT, O., March 15.—My Dear Sir: I thank you for the privilege of uniting with the New York citizens committee in their patriotic and charitable work in behalf of disabled and destitute soldiers of the late confederacy. The time is plainly drawing confederacy. The time is plainly drawing near, if it has not already come, when justice to its defenders will require the national government to expend much larger sums than heretofore has been appropriated for the support of the men who saved it. The sacred obligation to union soldiers must not, and will not, be forgotten nor neglected, especially by those who have shared in the fullest measure the prosperity which has come from the services and sacrifices of those who stood by the government when it was imper-illed. But those who fought against the na-tion can not and do not look to it for relief. Their disabled and destitute comrades are left to the generosity and benefactions of their more fortunate fellow citizens who their more fortunate fellow citizens who wisely forecast an inspiring future of our country. The confederate soldiers and their descendants are to share with us and our descendants the destiny of America. Whatever, therefore, we, their fellow citizens, cap do to remove the burdens from their shoulders and to brighten their lives, is surely in the path-way of both humanity and patriotism. With my contribution to the enterprise I beg you to accept, also, my bost wishes for its success. I remain sincerely, Rutherson B. Hayre.